

REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)
Attorney Docket: 095309/50523C1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation or ___ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 09/982,999
Filed on October 22, 2001
Of Otmar Bitsche
Entitled: VEHICLE
Examiner: Jeffrey J. Restifo
Group: 3618✓

- X 1. Accompanying this order is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed.

Total pages 18

- ___ 2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of ___ sheet(s), depicting Figures ___.

- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:

a. ___ Newly executed (original or copy)

b. X Copy from prior application

- i. ___ Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

- X 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

- ___ 5. Cancel original claims

The PTO did not receive the following listed item(s) Petition for extension of time

- ___ 6. Small entity status:
- a. ___ A small entity statement is enclosed
- b. ___ A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on ___ in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.
- c. ___ Is no longer claimed
- X 7. The filing fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS
CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Basic Fee					<u>\$385</u>	<u>\$770</u>
Total Claims	<u>16</u>	-	<u>20</u>	= <u> </u> x	9 = \$ <u> </u>	18 = \$ <u> </u>
Ind. Claims	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	= <u> </u> x	42 = \$ <u> </u>	84 = \$ <u> </u>
<u> </u>	Multiple Dependent Claims			+	140 = \$ <u> </u>	280 = \$ <u> </u>
Total					\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u>\$770</u>

- ___ 8. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #_) in the amount of \$___.
- X 9. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- X 10. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #).
- X 11. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a continuation/division of application Serial No. 09/982,999, filed October 22, 2001.--
- X 12. Priority of Appln. No(s). 100 52 231.9, filed in Germany on October 21, 2000, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- X 13. A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. 09/982,999 on October 22, 2001.
- X 14. The prior application is assigned of record to DaimlerChrysler AG.

X 15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

Herbert I. Cantor, Reg. No. 24,392; James F. McKeown, Reg. No. 25,406; Donald D. Evenson, Reg. No. 26,160; Joseph D. Evans, Reg. No. 26,269; Gary R. Edwards, Reg. No. 31,824; and Jeffrey D. Sanok, Reg. No. 32,169.

X a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.

— b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

X c. Address all future correspondence to:

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X 16. Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.


X 17. A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith.

X 18. Return Receipt Postcard.

X 19. Other: One-month Petition for Extension of Time ✓

Respectfully submitted,

10/22/2003


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